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Racial Riots In Liverpool

69 PEOPLE END UP IN POLICE DOCK

Liverpool, Aug. 3.—Sixty-nine whites and negroes faced charges in two courtrooms in Liverpool today after a night of racial rioting in this port city's "south end."

Both men and women appeared, many bandaged from wounds received in flare ups that raged from dusk to 3 a.m. the next day.

Liverpool, which in recent weeks has become increasingly tense as friction between whites and negroes mounted, had two nights of scattered battles before Monday night's outbreaks which police admitted to be "serious racial disturbances."

Up to late afternoon, six persons, two of them white women, were remanded for further hearings.

In one battle a gang of negroes were said to have attacked whites with bottles, daggers, iron bars, clubs and axes. Police who tried to get into "Willkie's" Negro Club were showered with stones and bottles, it was claimed in court.

A prosecuting official warned one court that feeling is "running high in Liverpool's south end. The court was told that a Negro seaman assaulted a policeman after shouting, "I am not frightened of white pigs" while another was accused of chasing several white men with a dagger and shouting, "We kill white men."

The basis for all feeling was not clearly indicated.—Associated Press.

Replacement Of Gen. Clay, Report

Berlin, Aug. 3.—The official Russian-licensed German news agency tonight reported that the American Military Governor, General Lucius Clay, would shortly be replaced in Berlin either by the American Governor, General Mark Clark or by Lt-Gen Albert Wedemeyer.

The Soviet-licensed agency said a transfer had been planned for some time, but had been delayed "by political developments of the last few weeks."

The American authorities termed the Russian report "Russian propaganda in an effort to discredit General Clay."—United Press.

EDITORIAL

Make A Fresh Start

IF, in consequence of today's official announcement, hotel residents feel that on the face of things they have been double-crossed, they cannot be blamed. One day they are informed that accommodation charges are to be reduced 50 percent, the next that they are restored to current levels. There appears to have been faulty staff work somewhere along the official line. Intention was good, but technique questionable. In certain respects, however, the new situation is to be welcomed. Generally speaking the revised hotel rates promulgated by the Quarantining Authority were unrealistic and as such they oversimplified what is in fact an intricate problem. In making an overall reduction, with distinctions based only on the position and size of the rooms, the Quarantining Authority appears to have overlooked two possibilities: (a) that hotels' incomes may well be reduced to an unprofitable level, causing them to close down and thus defeating the main purpose of Government's control measures; (b) that all hotel residents would be brought to the same level irrespective of whether they could afford to pay more or less, which in itself would be a decided incentive for a new type of "key money" racket to become operative. We adhere to our original viewpoint. That in our opinion, the main purpose of Government's control measures is to relieve the housing shortage, but this in turn involves the economic level of the individual resident. And to ensure that everybody is given as square



MR MALCOLM MACDONALD

FIGHT OVER RUM IN AIRLINER

New York, Aug. 3.—A huge Skymaster airliner carrying 60 passengers lurched and swayed over the Atlantic today while the pilot struggled desperately with two men who had started to fight over a bottle of rum.

The pilot, Captain Anthony Machado, noticed when the aircraft was 600 miles north of Porto Rico on a flight to New York, that the tail seemed heavy. He wrestled with the controls but the aircraft would not regain trim.

Going out to the passenger cabin, he found two men struggling with the steward. One of the men jumped at him and bit him. He forced the man back to his seat and flashed a message to La Guardia Airport asking for police to meet the aircraft on its arrival.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation later arrested two passengers, Diego Cordova, 28, and Benito Santana, 34, and charged them with having wilfully interfered with the navigation of the aircraft.—Reuter.

REFUGEES POUR INTO BOMBAY

Bombay, Aug. 3.—Hindu refugees are pouring into Bombay province at an increasing rate from Hyderabad. It was officially stated in Bombay today.

Refugees total more than 100,000 including 30,000 in Hyderabad a textile city near the Deccan plateau. The Government has been set up to look after refugees who are treated like those from West Pakistan. Hindu temples and charitable lodgings are crowded with Hyderabad Hindus who are also trickling to Bombay.—Associated Press.

Terrorists' Plan For Soviet Republic Of Malaya Revealed

INTENTION WAS TO PROCLAIM NEW STATE YESTERDAY SAYS MALCOLM MACDONALD

Singapore, Aug. 3.—Mr Malcolm MacDonald, the United Kingdom Commissioner for South-East Asia, said in a broadcast speech over Radio Malaya tonight that the Communist terrorists in Malaya had intended to proclaim a Soviet Republic of Malaya today, August 3. By that time, they expected a "revolutionary tyranny" to be firmly established on the Malay peninsula and Singapore Island, Mr MacDonald said.

Malayan intelligence officers secured shortly after the outbreak of terrorism a reliable account of the Communist plan, according to which the Communist leaders had decided in March to stage an armed insurrection, introduced by widespread labour unrest in April and violent demonstrations on May Day.

At the beginning of the terrorism early in June, Mr MacDonald declared, the Communists had hoped to establish quickly the regions which they could proclaim as independent Communist areas with already-prepared provisional Communist administrations.

These areas, the Commissioner continued, were to be steadily extended until combined into one Communist state of formidable size and authority, covering a large part of the peninsula. The Communist plotters, he said, planned to spread violence simultaneously to Singapore Island and expected that only a short time would be needed to subjugate the colony of Singapore.

The enemy's plan had been thrown badly out of gear and had not achieved success, largely as a result of widespread arrests and Government action under the emergency regulations, Mr MacDonald said.

Police, Army and Air Force in recent weeks had begun to improve the situation, although it would still be folly to underestimate the strength and resources of the Communists, he said.

REINFORCEMENTS

Reviewing the strength of the Government's forces in Malaya, Mr MacDonald said the 1st Battalion of the Inniskilling Fusiliers from Hongkong was arriving on August 4 and the 4th Hussars were coming shortly from Britain.

The Gurkhas already in Malaya would soon be relieved of guard duties. This really amounted to a reinforcement equivalent to two brigades, he added.

In addition, "many weeks ago, we advised the London authorities that we might need still further military reinforcements from overseas to finish this job completely. "We have requested that troops should be prepared and ready so that they might be despatched without loss of time if we asked for them."

The diplomatic situation in Europe was "delicately balanced" so he could not say anything more on this subject, he added.

Regarding air power, Mr MacDonald said: "We already have many machines, and air crews that we can use."

BIGGER POLICE FORCE

The Federation's regular police force was being increased by 3,000 men and 100 officers and another 10,000 full-time special constables had also been recruited. Some 300 ex-Palestine policemen would fly out to Malaya from Britain this month, the first group leaving this week. They would be dispersed through the plantations, mines and villages to instruct the special constables and auxiliary police.

The arms situation was "immensely improved," he added. The Federation Government had so far issued to civilian state guards 250 revolvers, several hundred Sten guns, 2,143 shot-guns and 14,450 rifles.

Large additional supplies, including automatic weapons, had arrived in Malaya in the past few days from Britain and others were being flown up from Australia.

"I see that the Communist parties in Britain and Australia have announced their support for the insurgents here," Mr MacDonald continued. "The British Communists have declared that their Malayan Communists are fighting for democracy, trade union rights and decent living standards."

WHOLESALE INTIMIDATION
Malayan residents on the spot, however, know that the local Communists sought to establish "democracy" by shooting dozens of unarmed Chinese leaders of the rival political organisation, the Kuomintang.

"They asserted their 'trade union rights' by wholesale intimidation of workers and the murder, in cold blood, of labour leaders who opposed their will."

"They gave samples of their 'idea of decent standards of living' by ridding villages and carrying away women."

"The robust democratic British and Australian peoples will know what importance to attach to those whom they express fervent

support for such political criminals," he said.

"In Malaya, we reject them utterly and shall destroy them completely."

Mr MacDonald again drew attention to the special "jungle squads" in training for several weeks. He could not reveal details of their numbers, equipment, actions or strength, but said: "You can look forward confidently to a steady and large strengthening over the next eight weeks of our ability to protect the civil population and our power to strike the insurgents."—Reuter.

CIGARETTE FAMINE

BRITONS FEELING THE PINCH

London, Aug. 3.—Favourite topic of conversation in Britain right now, mentioned more often than the Olympic Games and the weather, is a cigarette famine.

There have been other famine periods in recent years, but this one pinches.

There are many explanations. One widely accepted is that the Labour government, with its many millions of deliberately causing the nation to taper off smoking. Another impression is that distribution of cigarette and tobacco supplies has been knocked out of gear by extensive shifts in population during holiday travel.

STRANGE BRANDS

Popular brands of cigarettes are hard to find. Strange brands with a strange taste are appearing in the shops. The only thing usual about them is the price, three shillings and six pence for 20.

Import statistics indicate why there must be a cigarette shortage. In the first six months of 1947 Britain imported 64,500 tons of tobacco. The figure for the first six months this year is 30,800 tons. Imports from the US dropped in these periods from 48,000 tons to 10,000 tons.

There have been increases in imports from non-dollar areas and the Empire, but not enough to satisfy the popular demand. Supplies in the shops are down as much as 15 cent.

The famine, as believed in trade and government circles, is going to become the normal state of affairs.—Associated Press.

Survey For Second Panama Canal

Washington, Aug. 3.—Colombia has agreed to the United States request to survey for a giant new canal to link the Atlantic and the Pacific 280 miles southeast of Panama, whose Government has refused to renew the lease of America's wartime bases. The State Department, in announcing this, said the survey would be made by a mixed mission of Colombian and United States engineers and would take two months. The commission will estimate the cost of the project for comparison with other possible canal routes.

Vishinsky Optimistic

Belgrade, Aug. 3.—Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky expressed today his hope that the Danube river could be freed for navigation and eventually a peace treaty signed with Austria.

In response to a direct question on whether he thought there is any chance of unheating quickly the shipping on central Europe's last important trade artery, Vishinsky told the Associated Press "I think so. I hope so."

Mr Vishinsky's views were given during a brief recess in the fourth session of the 11th Danubian conference—one devoted to a sharp exchange of opinion with British Ambassador Sir Charles Peake.

PROPOSED CONVENTION

The Soviet statesman said the conference will probably last two or three weeks. He has introduced a proposed convention which would place the navigable part of the river from Germany to the Black Sea under the exclusive control of Eastern Europe's Communist bloc.

In reply to another query Vishinsky said he did not know whether Russia will raise the question of the big tie-up of Danubian vessels, mostly cargo barges in the American zone of occupation in Austria and Germany.

The tie up resulted directly from Russia's action in blocking all non-Soviet shipping near Linz, Austria shortly after the war ended. This has forced about 700 vessels into idleness on the upper Danube.

Vishinsky's statement that Russia hopes to open up the Danube soon, however, necessarily would involve the question of the vessels.

So long as they remain under United States jurisdiction the vessels constitute a potentially powerful trading point for use by the western powers in obtaining hard and fast guarantees against discrimination along the Danubian basin.

DIPLOMATS' DOUBTS

At the same time there existed considerable doubt among Western power diplomats that Russia would come through with freedom of navigation for the entire length of the river.

This arose from speculation that river-long freedom of navigation would open the way for use of the barges, along the Danube in the European recovery programme which Russia opposes. Meanwhile, Vishinsky and Sir Charles Peake engaged in the second round of their controversy. The Englishman contends that to write a new pact for the Danube will be necessary first to abrogate the 1921 Danube convention with the consent of all its signatories. (Continued on Page 5)

Bedell Smith Reports Back

Washington, Aug. 3.—The State Department has received Ambassador Walter Bedell Smith's report on the Western envoys' conference with Marshal Josef Stalin.

There was no hint as to what the report contained. The State Department press officer, Mr Michael McDermott, told newsmen, "We have received a report from Ambassador Smith."

Asked for additional details, Mr McDermott replied: "That is all we can say. There is no comment on the contents of it."

The report was placed under immediate study by the Secretary of State (Mr George Marshall), the Under Secretary (Mr Robert Lovett) and other Department officials.

There were no indications of when any details would be made public here.—United Press.

BIG 4 MEETING LIKELY

STALIN & TRUMAN MAY TAKE PART

Berlin, Aug. 4.—The Soviet-controlled German Press speculated today that the Moscow talks of Prime Minister Stalin and the Western envoys might lead to a Big Four conference on Korea, China and other points of East-West dispute as well as on Berlin and Germany.

Speculating that the Kremlin meeting might eventually bring together Premier Stalin, President Truman, Prime Minister Attlee and Premier Mario, the Russian licensed Berliner Zeitung said:

"Such a meeting is considered quite possible, but at least a meeting of the four Foreign Ministers is considered virtually certain. Any such meeting, the paper said, probably would not be confined to Berlin, or even to Germany, but would include discussions of China, Korea and other points of dispute. While all newspapers in Berlin gave big front page headlines to the Moscow story, there was little editorial comment.

POTSDAM AGREEMENT

Russian-controlled papers called attention to the third anniversary of the Potsdam Declaration and used the occasion to accuse the Western Powers of violating the agreement.

The official Soviet organ in Berlin, Tagliche Rundschau, said the Russians alone have fulfilled Potsdam's terms, it demanded that Germany, in all zones, be modelled after the Russian zone. Western officials have publicly called the Russian zone "a terrorised police state."

German civilians stoned Russian police on Monday night when they attempted to cross into the British sector in pursuit of a black marketeer. One policeman was reported injured.

There were two versions of the incident, which occurred when Soviet-controlled police squadrons conducted raids against black marketeers at Potsdamer Platz, a favourite trading centre.

Apparently fleeing from the police, some of the traders crossed the occupation border into the British sector to escape. Then, according to the British license newspaper Telegraph, Soviet controlled police entered the British area in pursuit.

STREET CLASHES

Crowds in the Potsdamer Platz lined up against the police and clashes occurred, the paper said. "There were reports that on passerby was dragged out of the British sector, manhandled by pistol brandishing Soviet sector police and dragged off to their headquarters." (Continued on Page 5)



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WOMANSENSE

The Secret of Using Garlic—Have Finesse Without Excess

WHAT is all this about the garlic?" said the Chef. "The garlic is a wonderful vegetable and it has its strong points. It gives a soup or touch aromatic to the salad. Some people can't stand the smell of garlic, but it is good for a restrained seasoning with meat or fowl. I like a little in the sauce for the spaghetti or the macaroni, and it is excellent in cooking some vegetables. But garlic in the bread, non!"

"I'm with you there, Chef," I agreed. "Bread spread with garlic-butter and served warm reminds me of the taste of warm milk after the cows have grazed on wild onions. I suppose it is what you call a tad of those who like to be called sophisticated."

Special Place

"But I appreciate more the bread; spread with good fresh butter," said the Chef. "For the garlic I reserve a special place where it is more harmonious."

"And where it can't be quite so apparent," I added. "For example, it is very good when a piece of garlic is peeled and crushed with a teaspoon of salt until it is like powder, and then rubbed all over the lamb or the duck, before roasting," the Chef suggested.

"Or if a meat or fish dish is to be cooked a long time, a section of garlic may be minced very fine, so it will be completely absorbed into the food," I went on.

Secret

"Madame, you have described the secret of the proper seasoning with garlic," said the Chef. "It is to use without excess. For delicate garlic seasoning it is not necessary to use the actual garlic. The aromatic spirit can be imparted merely by rubbing a salad bowl with the cut section of the garlic. Or if you desire to give a faint garlic flavour to the egg

omelet, or to shirred or scrambled eggs, just rub the cooking utensil with the cut section. Et voilà!"

Then there's garlic vinegar. Very easy to make. Just add 2 peeled thin-sliced sections of garlic to a half pint of wine-vinegar, and let it stand 24 hours. Then strain it into a bottle, for the longer it stands on the garlic the stronger the flavour

THE KITCHEN FRONT —by— IDA BAILEY ALLEN

becomes. French dressing can also be seasoned with a little sliced garlic in the same way.

Like every other vegetable, for the finest flavour, garlic must be fresh; the paper-thin skin, like that of the onion family, should sit snug, and each clove or section should feel full and smooth.

DINNER

Vegetable Soup Brown Bread Beans with Beef Balls Salad Bowl Beet Salad Dressing Banana Gelatin with Banana Whip Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)

All Measurements Are Level Recipes Serve Four

Beans with Beef Balls
Wash and pick over 1 lb. kidney beans; add 2 qt. boiling water. Cover and cook 50 min. Then add 1 1/2 tsp. salt. Cover and boil for 1 hr. Next, prepare the seasonings as follows: Peel and chop 1 section of garlic, and 1 large onion; saute in 3 tbsp. salad oil until tender. Then add 1 (6oz.) can tomato paste, 1 tbsp. vinegar, 1 tsp. chili powder, and 1/2 tsp. cayenne if convenient.

Cocktails Delight



A navy blue sheer.

By GRACE THORNCLEIFF

HERE'S A DRESS that is ready for a party, for cocktails, for a garden reception or tea, or for an informal evening. It is fashioned of navy blue mousseline de soie, and has a wide square neckline that dips to a self bow in front. The sleeves are short and notched and the bodice is easy. The entire skirt, lined rather fully, is composed of self folds graduating from quite narrow at the waist, to moderately wide at the hem. This is a dress that is likely to be worn often and with success.

Three Women Took To House-Building

MANHATTAN BEACH, Cal. —Three enterprising young women have turned to home-building as a pleasant way to spend their week ends.

Irma Lang, 27, assistant to a film producer, Jean Davidson, accountant, and Mrs. Winifred Patterson are putting up a two-story concrete-block house expected to be completed soon.

The only male assistance provided is that of Mrs. Patterson's husband, Don, who designed the house. Week-end picnics are combined with building parties.

Features of the home will be a living room, 19 by 21 feet, which has one wall of glass windows, a rumpus room, sundeck and a six-foot fireplace.

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Long Way From Nowhere



By Fred Harman

Exercise, Aid to Beauty



Try These Exercises!

By LOIS LEEDS

Exercise A. This is a splendid exercise to perfect the contour of the neck. It also aids in firming those muscles under the chin, which show a woman's age or neglect of herself.

Lie on a narrow bed or couch, one with a headboard. Let your head hang over the end. Slowly raise the head until the chin almost touches your chest. Now, slowly lower the head. Repeat five times the first day, gradually working up 20 times. In conjunction with this exercise, use oil massage for the neck and astraining patting along the chin line. You will get extra "beauty dividends" if you do this.

Exercise B. Fold a blanket into three sections, pin together with large safety pins. Place folded blanket on the floor and lie on it, on your back. Bring right knee up and pull it toward you with clasped hands. The pull must be slow, strong and sustained. Left leg must be kept on the floor, straight out. Return right leg to position on floor.

Repeat—right leg, left leg, ten times each.

This is a splendid exercise for strengthening abdominal muscles and aiding in correcting faulty elimination.

Exercise C. Take same position as in Exercise B. Bend the ankle and point the toes up. Now point the toes downward. Repeat 10 times with each foot. This is especially good for improving calves of the legs and strengthening and making more flexible the ankles. If done faithfully it will do much toward contouring the legs. Deep massage, with cream or oil will aid in firming the flesh, the exercises will firm the muscles.

Exercise D. Lie on the bed or floor. The floor is better because it insures a perfectly flat surface. Use the blanket. Place hands at sides, point toes down. Now, slowly, raise right leg to perpendicular position, then slowly lower it to the floor. Repeat 5 times with each leg. This exercise will stimulate the vital organs and give flexibility to hips and legs.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

The Shadows Hear a Story

—It's About a Knight Named Don Quixote—

BY MAX TRELL

WHEN Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-around names, entered the play-room, they were surprised to find their friend Mr. Punch chuckling about the book he was reading. On noticing them in the door, Mr. Punch smiled and asked them to come over.

"I'm reading a very funny story," he told them. "It's about a wind mill."

"A wind mill?" Knarf exclaimed. Mr. Punch nodded. "A regular wind mill, my dears. Only instead of being in Holland (which is dotted with wind mills of all shapes and sizes) this wind mill in the story was in Spain. However, it had four big arms which it turned round and round when the wind blew."

Hanid interrupted to ask Mr. Punch to explain why wind mills turned their arms when the wind blew, and what happened when they did. "I mean," she added, just to be sure that Mr. Punch understood her, "why are there such things as wind mills?"

Like Sail Boats
"Well," answered Mr. Punch. "Wind mills are a little like sail boats except that instead of being on the water, they are on the land. When the wind blows against the sails of a sail boat (which is a little



Don Quixote thought the wind mill was a giant.

like the arm of a wind mill) the wind pushes the sail and the whole boat moves. Now when the wind blows against the arm of a wind mill, the arm turns and some machinery inside the wind mill-house moves. It may be a machine for grinding corn or for drawing up water. So that the corn is really ground by the wind. And the same thing is true of the water. In other words, the wind does the work."

Hanid said she was glad to know this about wind mills. "They're quite pretty, too," she said. "Blow, wind, blow, Go, mill, go; That the miller can grind his corn. And the baker can take it and into rolls make it."

recited Mr. Punch. Here Knarf asked Mr. Punch to finish telling them about the story he was chuckling over. "Oh yes," said Mr. Punch—"Well, this wind mill was in Spain, as I told you. One day a knight came along named Don Quixote. The light wasn't very clear. Don Quixote saw four great arms turning round and round. Do you know what he thought they were?"

"What?" asked Knarf. "He thought they were the arms of a giant. And instantly he made his charge at the great arms."

"And what happened?" asked Hanid and Knarf. "He was thrown off his horse," said Mr. Punch, "and only then did he realise that the giant was really a wind mill."

Count Ten Before You Lose Temper

TEMPER can be either an asset or a liability. A good-tempered person, one who has learned to smile when things go wrong, has an asset which will pay off all his life. One who goes into a tantrum and lashes out in bad-tempered words and actions has a liability he should get rid of before it spoils his chances for happiness and success.

You can't be happy and popular with temper that erupts at the wrong moments and puts you in embarrassing positions.

Once your temper gets out of control you may do something you will regret all your life. The girl or boy who has learned to make temper an asset by cultivating a good one receives the confidence and respect which wins friends and popularity.

If you check the first sign of irritability or anger you won't get into a temper tantrum, and each time you do this makes the next try easier. Try to smile and be friendly when things don't work out instead of saying unkind things. Soon this will become easy and natural and you will be rid of the liability of bad temper.

Rupert & Ting-Ling—9



As Rupert reaches Edward, Bill Badger joins them from another field. They all look bewildered. "The sound is coming from over there," cries Bill. "But the railway isn't that way at all." But the sound is coming from over there, says Edward, pointing in another direction. "No, you're both wrong," says Rupert. "I think the noise is over on this side. What on earth can it be? It doesn't get much louder and it doesn't go away. Surely it can't be an express train."

WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



AFTER THE FLOOD IS OVER—Wrecked and overturned cars near a water tower in Vanport, Oregon, show the force of a flood that inundated the city recently. Some vehicles were picked up and whirled about like pebbles. Note the bus, at left, overturned and crushed. Buildings also were virtually obliterated.



GOING SWIMMING?—A model exhibits a "modified" diaper-bathing suit during the fashion show at a swank cafe in Venice, Italy. Patrons seemed to favour the special feature in place of the more conservative "business man's lunch."



HUMAN CHESS—A chess tournament that began in Rouen five months ago was dramatically concluded when townspeople donned ancient costumes and employed horses to enact each move in the final game. In the court of the Cathedral de Rouen, these human chessmen move in conjunction with the moves of the two final contestants.



BACK INTO SOLITARY—Babs, a five-year-old baboon, is put back into her cage after she had spent a half-hour overturning cages, freeing a canary and starting a dog fight. She got out of her cage in a Philadelphia pet shop and led attendants in a merry chase until she was finally captured.



COAL "BOMBS"—German workmen unload duffel bags of coal after 10 planes carrying 100 tons arrived in Berlin. Plans for "bombing" Berlin with coal are being stepped up as the Russian blockade continues.



"BLOCK PARTY"—Steel-helmeted Milan police barricade the street with trucks after forcefully evicting 300 workers from the factory in the background. Three policemen and a score of strikers were injured in the clash, which occurred when the workers, on strike for a month and a half, protested against the discharge of some fellow employees.



OIL-BELCHER—The 49,000 barrels of crude oil stored in this tank at Augusta, Kansas, went up in flames after being struck by lightning.

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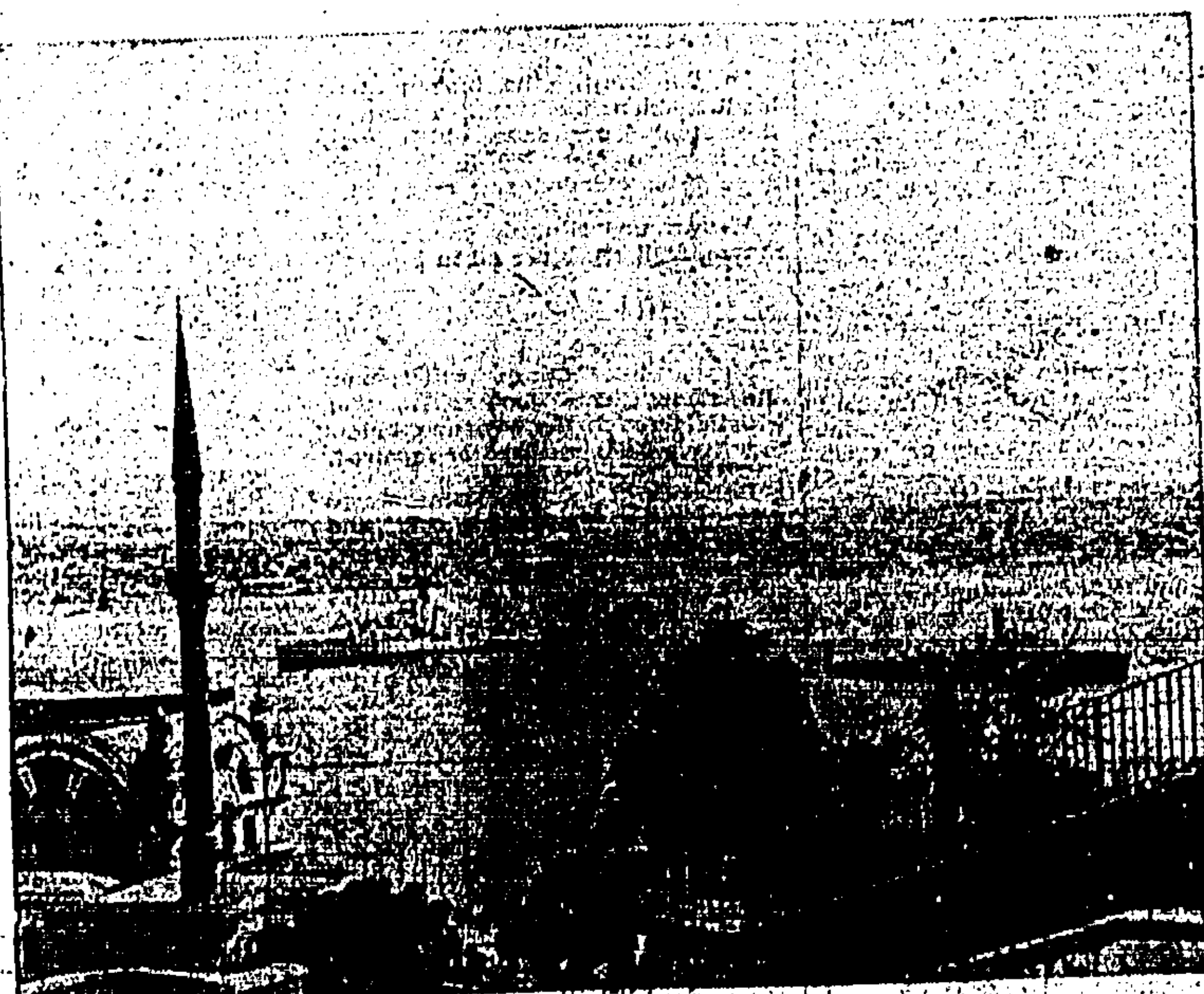
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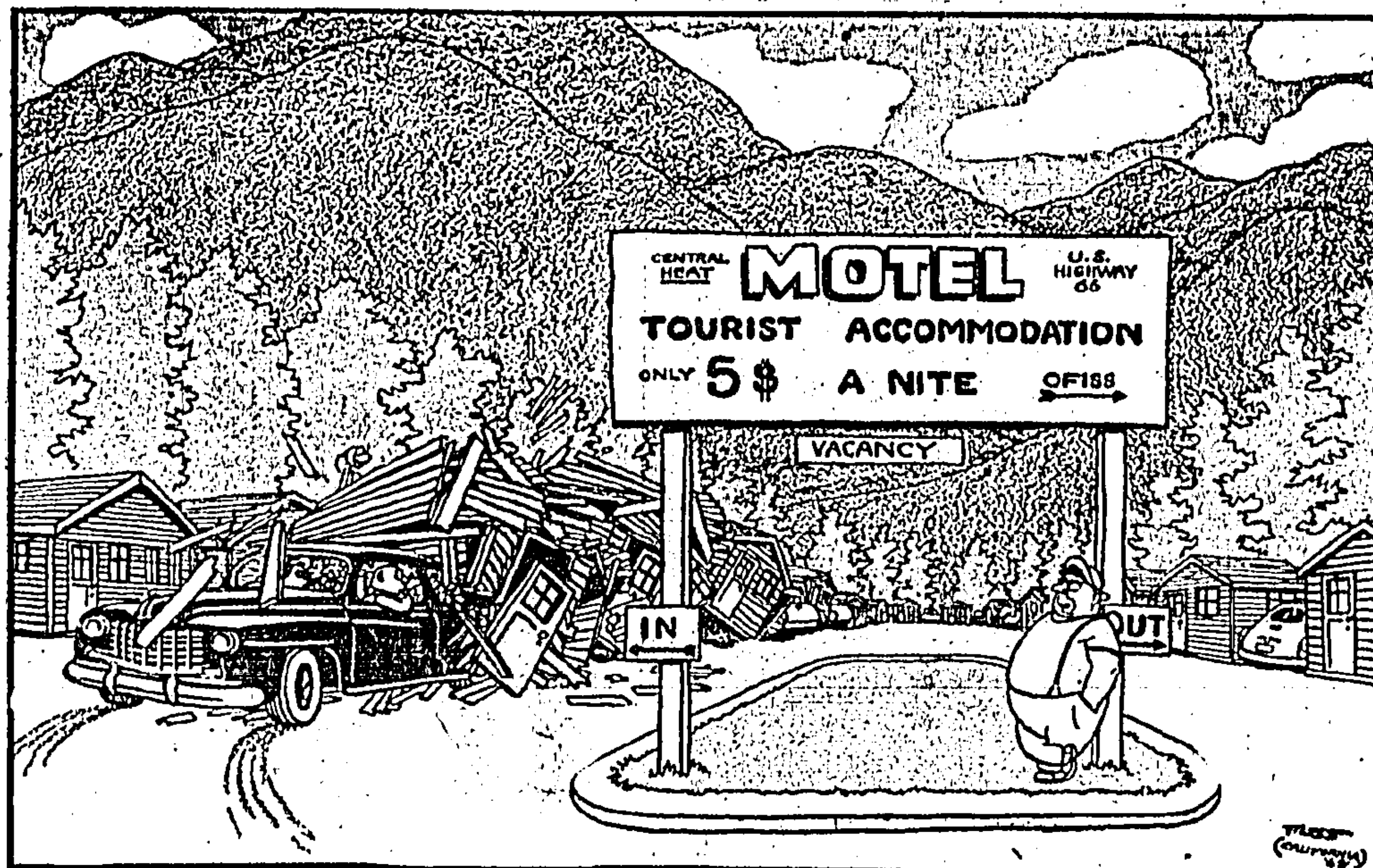
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Sitting on the Fence

by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

IT was a year ago almost to the day that your Uncle Nat left the Nest in Surrey for the Sea Nest in Kent.

Last week, the Surrey Nest, better known as Tottering Towers, was revisited.

So, of course, was the local, the duck pond, the village green, and the golf club, once a Home Guard headquarters where your Uncle and Home Guard chum, Baldy Budgen, used to snore on the floor until awakened by the corporal of the guard for another two hours stamping and cursing under the trees.

Tottering Towers was not entered, but it was observed from the outside, and your Uncle wondered

if it was happier with its new occupant, evidently a home-lover and keen gardener. And a keen father, too, if one could judge by the pram on the porch and the patter of little feet on the stairs.

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Tottering Towers totters no more. The Nest is under control.

Iron Curtain goes up —on Romeo

From RICHARD McMILLAN

BERLIN, July 15.—While the Russians snarl at Britain and tighten the "hate" blockade, at the Soviet-controlled State Opera in Russian Berlin last night it was Shakespearean love drama—Romeo and Juliet.

I was one of the audience. It was a Soviet ballet based on the famous love tragedy—a ballet which has been all the rage in Moscow and has been brought here to keep the minds of both the Russians and the Germans in their sector distracted from the more worrying business going on between Moscow, London, Washington and Paris.

So while the world awaited the publication of Stalin's reply to the West, about 2,000 people sat in the State Opera gripped with rapture at the spectacle of Shakespeare set to colour and brought to life by the most gifted of Russian ballet dancers, including the famed ballerina, Natascha Troianova, a vision of grace and beauty.

The "Angel of Berlin" Juliet was so light, so lovely, and so alluring that it was evident how she has become known as the "Angel of Soviet Berlin."

There was not a bolted shirt in the whole audience, who filled every seat in the brilliantly lit theatre. There were russet-checked, peasant-looking Russians with their wives, Soviet mothers with plump daughters, pretty blonde German girls, German fathers and mothers, and Berlin working folk; for the State Opera is a magnet to every Berliner.

It was the simplest thing in the world to get my seat. I went to a Berlin theatre agency in the British area. They telephoned the State Opera, and my reservation was made. I took a British official car as far as the British-Soviet boundary, left the car on our side (for the driver was forbidden to cross), and walked,

In fact the red, white, and blue colour scheme looks so patriotic that a stranger might think it was occupied by John Bull himself, sitting down to Sunday dinner in his blue coat with brass buttons, dandling his children on his white knee breeches, or mowing his lawn in his Union Jack waistcoat.

When your Uncle Nat was there the tennis lawn was used for almost anything but tennis. In happier days it was used for garden parties, and during the war as a miniature rifle range.

During the summer it was usually covered by the half-naked bodies of relatives basking in the sun, and in the winter with deck chairs, garden seats, and books left to rot in the rain.

Now it is smooth and so neatly cut that one feels a dandelion wouldn't dare to grow there.

At the back of the Nest the jungle has been cleared and young vegetables are sprouting.

In the front the broken steps leading from the garden gate to the front door, down which your Uncle often sprang in the dark, have been mended and made safe.

Hedges are clipped, grass verges mown, fruit trees are all in blossom.

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Maybe some things will remain the same. The same winds will whistle through the windows unless they have been renewed or repaired.

Descendants of the same wasps may fill the marmalade pots and drown gloriously in glasses of beer.

Sparrows may still rear families in the rain gutters, and mothers, like four-engined bombers, still zoom through the bedrooms on summer nights.

Yet somehow your Uncle feels that none of these things will happen again.

He feels that the new occupant will see that his wife would always have the marmalade pots covered, when not in use; that sparrows would be evicted from the rain gutters at once, and that the four-engined bomber mothers would be turned back from their objectives by an anti-aircraft barrage of insecticide.

Tottering Towers totters no more. The Nest is under control.

Duck pond

IT was in the road leading from the duck pond to the church that your Uncle imagined Mrs. Eliza Miffin, the voluptuous charwoman, met Mr. Bumbling, the sex-hungry village handyman, every Friday night at six o'clock sharp.

She would be wearing a new bow in her bonnet (chairs were bonnets at one time), and behind her ears there would be a touch of a new perfume called "Meet Me Tonight in Dreamland."

Goaded into reckless extravagance by the maddening smell, Mr. Bumbling would then escort Mrs. Miffin to the local, where he would buy her bottle after bottle of nourishing stout till the gay and hospitable daily help invited him to her little house for a supper of cold boiled belly of pork and bubble and squeak.

But there the tortured handyman always found his rival, the postman (preferred by Mrs. Miffin because he was "larky and sporty") waiting with more nourishing stout and ready for a dance or a romp.

And, punctually at midnight, Mrs. Miffin's back hair would come down. Soon afterwards the felly postman would go home to his wife and 12 children and Mr. Bumbling to his lonely lodgings.

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Of course, no such people existed, but the duck pond did and still does.

At one time it was a pleasure to watch the ducks and their tiny families sailing in convoy, father in front and mother covering the rear; or wheeling and manoeuvring as one like battleships and their escorting destroyers.

But now all the ducks have gone, presumably into the stomachs of local inhabitants, or, long ago, into the black market.

Local

A LOCAL pub was first called a "local" in print here though it had long been a term used by the general public.

The local referred to was the White Hart in Chipstead, Surrey.

After more than 40 years it is still kept scrupulously clean and highly respectable by the same landlord, Mr. Frank Adams, a one armed ex-sailor, born in Devon.

It was here that somebody like the Man in a Pub was first encountered with his, "No, I'm a liar. It was on a Wednesday, not a Thursday."

It was here that the fiction of the interminable tales of his daughters Vi and Marge, of their unsuccessful love affairs and their strange appetites, "Vi, who can't eat eggs, and Marge, who can't eat fish," was invented.

Vi, it may be remembered, would "go off into a faint like a dead thing" at the sight of an egg and one mouthful of fish would produce revolting knives in Marge's stomach.

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Well, the man rather like the Man in a Pub has gone, but the pub and Mr. Frank Adams remain, looking much the same as they did in the 1920's.

The same pictures of admirals and lesser sailors are on the walls, and the same black beret sits at the same jaunty angle on Mr. Adams's head.

To your Uncle Nat this beret was the symbol of the defiance of Chipstead to Hitler during the war. Flaming Messerschmitts might drop all round the pub, bombs drop near it and flying bombs buzz over it and cut out their engines.

Whatever happened, Frank Adams went on serving his customers, his beret rakishly over one ear, never closing his doors for one licensed hour, and never even bothering to go outside to see what was going on.

If Hitler's idea was intimidation, he was wasting his time so far as Frank Adams was concerned.

Except for shortages, business was as usual and time was time. You were outside the doors on the last stroke of ten and on or near mid.

After which Mr. Adams would lock up, wash his glasses with his one hand, and 'go up to bed. He didn't believe in shelters.

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And while your Uncle was there on his nostalgic visit who should walk in but a smallish, dark man with merry dark eyes, his happy face black with soot, and who roared with laughter at the sight of your Uncle, called for a pint and shouted, "Cor stone the crows!"

It was the same old pub, with the same old landlord and the same old Sweep in it.

Gibraltar's Nightly Keys Ceremony

By H. BURGE

ONE of the most famous functions of an army band stationed in Gibraltar is to take part in the "Ceremony of the Keys." This is not unlike the Keys Ceremony at the Tower of London, though its origin is different.

It was in 1704 that forces under the command of Sir George Rooke made a surprise attack on the Rock, and captured it. In this same year, and again in 1727, Spanish forces attempted to retake it, but were unsuccessful. During the latter part of the century, in 1779, the Spanish made a more determined effort to oust the British forces, and laid siege to Gibraltar until 1782, the four years that, according to records in the Gibraltar Museum, must have been most interesting, though uncomfortable ones! This period is known as the Great Siege, and when it was finally ended, the Governor of the time, General Sir George Elliott, took steps to make the Fortress impregnable.

To lessen the risk of the Rock being captured by a sudden coup-de-main, the Governor decided that the three main gates of the Fortress would be locked each evening at sunset, and would remain locked until the following morning. Half an hour before sunset the Rock Gun was fired, to warn "all aliens and non-residents" of the imminent closing of the gates. "A Key Sergeant" was appointed, who was responsible for collecting the keys of the three gates from the Governor, and who, escorted by an armed guard and the drums of one of the regiments stationed on the Rock, locked the gates, and personally returned the keys to the Governor, for safe keeping during the night.

The Governor of that time "attached so much importance to the closing of the Fortress that he always wore the keys on his sword-belt. (As each key is about nine inches long, one must applaud this action as being most commendable devotion to duty).

BAND PARADE

The present ceremony is carried out each Wednesday, the various units stationed on the Rock providing the Escort to the Keys, and the Outpost Platoon, the Key Sergeant (now known as the Port Sergeant), the Escort to the Keys, and the Band parade at Alameda Gardens, which is some distance from Casemates Square, where the largest part of the ceremony is performed.

In marching from the Gardens to the parade ground, the party follows roughly the same route as that taken by the Key Sergeant in earlier days—from the Tagged Staff Gate to the Waterport Gate, which is just off Casemates Square and very near to the third gate, the Landport, demolished in 1927.

The Outpost Platoon is already formed up on the parade ground when the Port Sergeant and his party arrive, with the Provost Marshal, and the Commanding Officer and Adjutant of whichever Unit is providing the Outpost Platoon, in their respective positions. The Band marches to its position in the centre of the parade ground, opposite the saluting base, while the Port Sergeant with his Escort proceeds along to the left flank of the Outpost Platoon, and halts. The whole parade is now stood at ease by the Adjutant, to await the arrival of His Excellency the Governor with the keys.

ROYAL SALUTE

On the arrival of the Governor a Royal Salute is given, after which the Adjutant reports the parade. The Port Sergeant then marches across to the saluting base, receives the keys from the Governor, and marches back to his position in front of the Escort. The whole parade is then stood at ease by the Adjutant.

At this point the Band again takes a more active part in the proceedings. In slow time, and playing the Slow March of whichever Unit is on parade, it marches across the parade ground. At the far end it counter-marches, proceeds past the saluting base to the other end of the square, again counter-marches, and breaks into a quick march. The above procedure is then repeated. In quick time, and on reaching its original position it is halted, and turned left to face the saluting base.

The Adjutant, now, calls the parade to attention, gives the command "Slope Arms," and the brass section of the Band plays a fanfare. This is immediately followed "by Retreat," played by the brass and the movements of the parade are so timed that Retreat is sounded at six o'clock, and on the first note the Rock Gun is fired, and all flags are lowered.

LAST NOTE

As the last note of Retreat dies away the officer in charge of the Outpost Platoon turns them to the right, and they march—past the saluting base to the tune of their Regimental March, followed at a distance by the Port Sergeant and the Escort. The Platoon marches right off the square, through the Waterport Gate, but as the Escort to the Keys approaches the gate it is challenged by the sentry, who orders it to halt. The Escort is halted, whereupon the sentry calls, "Who goes there?" and receives the answer, "The Keys." "Whose Keys?" cried the sentry, and on receiving the answer from the Port Sergeant, "King George's Keys," calls out, "Pass, King's Keys; all is well." (Continued on Page 5)

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SHATTERED RECORDS MARK FOURTH DAY OF GAMES

London, Aug. 3.—One world and 15 Olympic records lay broken at the feet of the earth's best athletes and swimmers as the fourth day of competitions in the 14th Olympiad ended tonight. The day had seen a wholesale slaughter of the old statistics.

The first world record of this Olympiad fell to four United States swimmers who won the men's 800 metres relay in eight minutes 46 seconds, beating Japan's 1936 record at Berlin by 5.5 seconds.

The American team tonight fought the greatest Olympic swimming team race of all time when Hungary was beaten by just over four yards in the relay race—a distance of 374 yards two feet nine inches—but both teams broke the world record.

Sixty thousand people at the Wembley Stadium refused to let the records go by the board—the 80 metres women's hurdles, the 10,000 metres walk and the shot put.

Other Olympic figures to die a watery death in the Empire Pool, Wembley, were the women's 100 metres backstroke and the women's 200 metres breaststroke—the latter broken by Holland's wonder swimmer, Nel van Vliet, and the Australian girl Nancy Lyons and the Hungarian Eva Novak, who were second and third.

But the 20,000 spectators—the lowest attendance so far—leaving Wembley Stadium tonight were eagerly discussing the action of British Olympic officials in dropping

Olympic record with her time of 11.3 seconds. Maureen Gardner, a British ballet dancer, who also won her heat today, has clocked 11.2 seconds, but her record is awaiting ratification.

Mrs. Blankers-Koen, who electrified the great crowd yesterday by winning the 100 metres, seemed assured of the "double" by taking the hurdles title when she ran earlier today in the first round qualifying heat.

Three Americans broke the shot put Olympic record of 53 feet one and three-quarters inches set by H. Wadlock, of Germany, at Berlin in 1936.

They were competing among themselves. Thompson, of the United States, first threw 54 feet and a half inch—10.40 metres—after his compatriot, J. E. Fuchs, had thrown 53 feet 8½ inches. DeLaney, of the United States, then improved on Thompson's figures with 54 feet 8½ inches (16.68 metres). Thompson then, not to be outdone, broke his own figure by a wonderful throw of 56 feet two inches (17.12 metres).

Swimmers were also again in record-breaking form. The Olympic record for the women's 100 metres (100 yards, one foot one inch) backstroke event was broken twice in the preliminary heats at the Wembley Pool.

Miss Kaaren Harup, of Denmark, knocked one second off the old Olympic record established at Berlin 12 years ago to win the second heat in one minute, 15.6 seconds. Suzanne Zimmerman, of the United States, who was runner-up, was only one-fifth of a second outside the old record.

In heat three, Judy Joy Davies, of Australia, also beat the Berlin record with one minute, 16.4 seconds, although she had the easiest win of all four heats.

HISTORIC TRIPLE

Captain W. O. G. Grut, a Swedish artillery officer, made Olympic history today when he won the swimming contest of the modern pentathlon—an event which gave him victory in three of the contest's five events and assured him of the championship.

No previous competitor in the modern pentathlon has won more than two events. Captain Grut won the riding event, tied for first place in the fencing, and won the 300 metres swimming event in 17 minutes 17 seconds—less than two seconds outside the Olympic record.

Captain Grut, pentathlon champion of Sweden five times since 1928, said that today's Olympic event was his last pentathlon appearance.

Mrs. Victoria Manola Draves, wife of a Los Angeles electrical engineer, won the women's Olympic springboard diving championship at the Wembley Pool.

Mrs. Draves, whose father is a Filipino, announced she now intends to retire from competitive diving so that she can "settle down and have babies."

American girls took all three first places in the competition. Nicole Pellissard, of France, was injured today while diving in this event. Her ears were affected by the injury but she hoped to be in the water again soon. She was fourth in the springboard diving final.

HAPPY TURKS

The Turks today celebrated their freestyle wrestling victories mainly with music, including the singing of the Turkish national anthem several times.

They had four winners' medals and two seconds to collect. Except for the flyweights, they dominated the lighter divisions and produced some of the finest wrestling seen in Britain for years. Rarely were they seen in a defensive role and made themselves favourites with the crowd with their aggressiveness.

Closé rivals to the compact Turks were the United States and Swedish teams. The United States had on view probably the greatest wrestler of them all—Glen Brand, who won the middleweight title.

TORQUAY

The most spectacular sailing of the first races of the Olympic yachting Regatta in the Devonshire waters off Torquay was in the Firefly 12-foot dinghy class, where M. Herbulot, of France, after lying third from the last, came up to win a brilliant victory.

France and Belgium jockeyed for first place in a shifting wind which made sailing difficult but in a last-minute bid, the United States craft tonight fought her way into second place.

Italy's win in the Star class upset all predictions as Knowles, of Great Britain, the world champion in this class, was regarded as a firm favourite. He came second to Italy's representative.

Portugal's five-minute win in a borrowed local Swallow owed nothing to chance and in the six-metre class the Belgian yacht shook off Argentina's designated class by five minutes.

The only Norwegian win for Crown Prince Olaf and his family to watch from the "Norge" was in the Dragon class. The first three in this Scandinavian-designed class were Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

ROWING

Today's races were the first of seven in each class to be decided over the whole Regatta. The long-awaited draw for the rowing events in the Games which will take place on the Thames on one of the eve-

liest stretches of water in the country was made today.

In the sculls, one of the highlights of the Regatta, American and British competitors—who are expected to dominate the event—have been separated. For instance, Jack Kelly, of America, Mervyn Wood, the Australian oarsman of repute, and A. D. Rowe, the Oxford University President who will represent Great Britain, are all drawn separately.

The Olympic hop, step and jump final was won by Arne Ahmann, of Sweden with 15.40 metres. G. Avery, of Australia, was second and K. Sarilap, of Turkey, third, with 15.35 metres and 15.025 metres respectively.

Alex Jany, of France, the world record holder for the 400 metres freestyle swimming, was beaten in third place in the second semifinal of the Olympic 400 metres freestyle today.—Reuter.

Athletics

Yesterday's results in Olympic athletics were marked by two more American victories, the first a foregone conclusion plus a United States sweep—the shot put—which saw Californian Wilbur Thompson register the best heave of his career (56 feet 2 inches) and the fourth finest performance of all time.

The other American victory was "Pell-Mell" Mel Patton's against the most classic field in Olympic history. Patton had never been conceded a chance over LaBach or McKenley at this distance and neither had Ewell who finished second.

The London Games continue to be the most upsetting in the whole history of the modern Olympic series.

In the final of the Hop, Step & Jump, Sweden's Arne Ahmann, conceded an outside chance to win, took first place against an all-star field that saw two of the hot favourites, Korea's Kim Wun Kwan and India's Henry Rebello fail to place in the first six.

THE RESULTS

200 Metres Dash Final: 1. Mel Patton, USA, 12.1 secs.; 2. Norwood Ewell, USA, 21.1 s.; 3. Lloyd LaBach, Panama, 21.2 s.; 4. Herb McKenley, Jamaica.

Shot Put Final: 1. Wilbur Thompson, USA, 56.2; 2. James Delaney, USA; 3. Jim Fuchs, USA, Winning distance; 50 feet 2 inches.

Hop, Step & Jump Final: 1. Arne Ahmann, Sweden; 2. George Avery, Australia; 3. K. Sarilap, Turkey; 4. Preben Larsen, Denmark.

110 Metres Hurdles: Semi-finalists are O. H. Bernard, Switzerland; Pol Bickman, Belgium; Crula Dickson, USA; H. Frayer, France; Peter Gardner, Australia; Hankon Lidman, Sweden; Andre Marie, France; Bill Porter, USA; Clyde Scott, USA; Alberto Trulzi, Argentina; Jim Vickers, India; and Rey Weinberg, Australia.

Women's 80 metres Hurdles: Finalists are Fanny Blankers-Koen, Netherlands; Maureen Gardner, Britain; L. Lomska, Czechoslovakia; Maria Oberbreyer, Austria; and two others (names not received).

3,000 Metres Steeplechase: Heat winners were Erik Elmstater, Sweden, in 9 mins. 15 secs.; Rafael Pujazon, France, 9:20.8; and K. Sjöstrand, Sweden, 9:21.0.

The other nine finalists are M. Chesneau, France; A. Cuyod, France; E. Everaert, Belgium; G. Hagstrom, Sweden; A. Kainlahti, Finland; J. L. Lando, Spain; Browning Rose, USA; P. V. Sitt, Ippel, Finland; and P. Szegedin, Yugoslavia.

POINT SCORES IN ATHLETICS

United States	181
Sweden	42
France	28
Australia	24
Italy	21
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Great Britain	17
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Norway	13
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Belgium	11
Hungary	10
Jamaica	8
Panama	8
Denmark	7
Ceylon	6
Switzerland	5
Yugoslavia	5
Turkey	4
Poland	3
Canada	1

BEST IN THE WORLD



America's feminine diving squad who have already swept up the springboard diving medals. Left to right: Vicki Manola Draves, the champion, June Stover, who is in the platform event, Zoe Ann Olsen and Patricia Elsener. All four hail from California.—AP Wirephoto.

WORLD RECORD RACE

Magyar & Hawaiian In Anchor Leg Duel

Empire Pool, Wembley, Aug. 3.—The Japanese-held mark of 8:51.5 in the 800-metre swimming relay, set in 1936 at Berlin, was smashed today by both first and second place teams.

The great spurt finish by Bill Smith of Hawaii gave the United States another championship and a new World's record for the event.

It took the fastest time ever for the United States to win and for Hungary to place second. Hungary from the United States, which also beat the Japanese mark in finishing a close second. The United States quarter time in 8:40 and Hungary in 8:48.4.

It was a bitter battle between the victorious Americans and Hungary from the United States, which won the anchor leg in the 200-metre mark but trailed by the same margin at halfway point.

Swimming in Lane 4 the United States team was made up of Wally Ris of the University of California, who won an Olympic gold medal in the Men's 100-metre freestyle, Wally Wolf of Beverly Hills, California, Jimmy McLane of Akron, Ohio, and Bill Smith of Hawaii.

Seventeen-year-old McLane, swimming in No. 3 spot, showed the United States out in front by sprinting brilliantly in the last 25 metres of his leg in the relay, gaining two feet on Hungary's Elemér Szatmari.

LAST LAP THRILL

But in the final lap, Geza Kandis of Hungary, giving everything he had, pushed momentarily out in front by half a stroke. The dark-skinned Hawaiian was not to be denied.

He began whirling his arms like a threshing machine, virtually lifting himself out of water like a speed boat.

The crowd went wild as the two swimmers fought it out in the stretch to establish the first world record of the 14th Olympics. Smith gained final victory two strokes ahead of the speeding Hungarian. France was third, followed by Sweden.

Wants Five Babies

Wembley, Aug. 4.—The new Olympic Diving queen, 23-year-old Victoria Manola Draves of Filipino and English parentage, announced plans to become a full-time housewife and rear a big family.

The Tower Diving, which may enable her to become a double Olympic champion on Friday, will end her competition, she said. She won the springboard title today.

Lyle Draves, an electrical engineer and former Midwest diving champion in Iowa, "We are going to settle down now. She's retiring."

They said they wanted five babies. Mrs. Draves was born in San Francisco. Her mother, Mrs. Gertrude Taylor Manola of San Francisco, was born in London.

Miss Karen Harup's new swimming record of 1:15.6 in the 100-metre backstroke compares with the old time of 1:16.0 made at the Berlin games by Miss Nita Scott of Holland. The 1936 record was also beaten in the next leg of the backstroke by Miss Judy Joy Davies of Australia, but it was one-tenth of a second slower than Miss Harup's.

The European women's springboard diving champion, Miss Nicole Pellissard of France, could not compete with the invading Americans who took the first three places. Miss G. Groen of Austria was fifth, Mady Moreau of France seventh and J. M. Hack of Holland eighth.—Associated Press.

400 METRES BATTLE

Argentina's Alfredo Yarnomo got off fourth position in the second heat of the semi-final of the men's Olympic 400-metre free style swim today with France's Alex Jany, world record holder, leading, followed by the American, Bill Smith.

These positions were maintained to the end of the third 100-metre when

At Kennington Oval: Surrey beat Nottinghamshire by 8 wickets. Nottingham 104 and 187 (Stokes 64, A. V. Bedser 5 for 70); Surrey 234 and 60 for 2.

At Canterbury: Kent drew with Hampshire. Kent 390 for 9 declared; Hampshire 163 and 225 for 5 (Rogers 89).

At Manchester: Lancashire drew with Yorkshire. Yorkshire 359 and

OLYMPIC BASKETBALL

China Beats Korea

In the last second of the game, little 5ft. 2 inch Lee threw a one handed shot to win a thrilling Olympic basketball-tournament game tonight for China over Korea 49-48.

China was behind 20-16 at half-time and until the last 10 minutes seemed to have not the slightest chance of winning.

China, with Chuo and Little Lee, steadily and slowly closed the gap of 41-37. Chuo threw one shot to raise the score 41-30. It was not long before the Korean team banged in one to make the score 43-30.

It was only in the very last moment that the Chinese team successfully scored several points to gain the narrow victory.

China is scheduled to meet the Philippines at 7.30 p.m. today in basketball.

Czechoslovakia tonight bounced back from the defeat suffered last night at the hands of the United States, beating Egypt 52-30 and retaining a good chance of getting to the eight-team championship finals.

Czechoslovakia must beat Argentina—an extremely difficult but not impossible task. Czechoslovakia and Argentina will meet on Friday night in what will be the climatic battle in Group C.

Czechoslovakia clearly outclassed the taller but less experienced Egyptian team. Czechoslovakia showed better passing and teamwork.—United Press.

PROTEST DISALLOWED

The International Basketball Federation jury today disallowed the protest by Belgium in its game with China last night.

The jury ruled that officials were correct in their judgment and that the original score will stand as it is.

NARROW SHAVE FOR U.S.

Argentina almost upset the favourite United States basketball team today and Chile rolled to a surprising victory over the Philippines.

The United States, heavy favourite to take the Olympic championship, barely squeezed out a 59-57 victory over a smooth, aggressive Argentine quintet.

The Chileans crushed the Filipinos 60-39 in a totally unexpected margin. Peru made it a banner day for South America by drubbing Switzerland 40-19.

Argentina held a 33-20 advantage on the overconfident U. S. team at half-time.—Associated Press.

HARD FIGHT

Uruguay beat Italy 46-34. Uruguay and Canada are tied in each point both with five, and both have two wins and one loss—Canada to Hungary and Uruguay to Brazil, but cases of ties are decided by accumulative points.

Three games has scored 55 points against Italy, 44 against Great

Britain and 36 against Hungary for a total of 135. Uruguay scored 69 against Britain, 32 against Brazil and 40 against Italy for a total of 147.

Uruguay has still to meet the strong Hungarian team—the game is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon. But if she beats Hungary, she will have an excellent chance. If Canada beats Brazil—and the game is scheduled right after the Hungary-Uruguay game tomorrow afternoon—the picking of two champion teams from Group A will be a difficult job indeed.

The Uruguayan coach, Raul Canale, said after the game that he thought the Uruguayan team was beginning to get its strike and will be hard to beat from now on.—United Press.

OLYMPIC HOCKEY

Pakistan Wins 9-0

London, Aug. 3.—Pakistan, one of the fabled teams in the Olympics field hockey tournament, outclassed Denmark 9-0 in a Group "C" match tonight. Sixteen scored eight goals for Pakistan, five of them before half-time.

The fleet-footed Pakistan team showed perfect artistry as they swept down the field in lovely combined passing movements. Denmark's defenders could do little against the skill of their opponents.

In another Group "C" game, Holland beat France 2-0. The Dutch had most of the play in the first half and were more dangerous in front of goal than the French forwards, who wasted many scoring chances. P. J. M. Bromberg and J. H. Krulze scored Holland's goals in the opening half. Neither side scored in the second half.—Associated Press.

AFGHANS BEAT U.S.

London, Aug. 3.—Six brothers in the Afghanistan hockey team gave the United States representatives a big headache in their Olympic Hockey tournament at Sudbury, in the north-western outskirts of London tonight.

Their dash and team work were a feature of the opening half. Defences were, however, mainly dominant, though the United States defence found it difficult at times to hold a fast moving attack.

Afghanistan eventually won by two goals to nil.—Reuter.

Modern Pentathlon

Sweden's crack pentathlete, W. O. G. Grut, won today the swimming test of the Modern Pentathlon and appeared to be certain winner of the event.

Grut won three of four tests held so far and is 35 points ahead of the United States' Major F. B. Moore, who stands second.

The Swede's position is now practically unshakable as it will be sufficient for him to place third or fourth in tomorrow's test—a 4,000-metre cross-country running—to win the pentathlon. Grut is a good runner and is almost certainly to place among the first three in cross-country.

At the end of the fourth test, Sweden led the team standing as well as the individual with the United States' Major F. B. Moore, who stands second.

The swimming test, which took place at Borough County Council Pool, was conducted in drizzling rain and cold; a number of competitors, including South Americans, Italians and Spanish, eventually gave up.

The 4,000-metre cross-country run tomorrow at Camberley will finally decide the best all-around sportsman in the world.—United Press.

Today's Olympic Programme

FENCING
Morning: men's individual foils (semi-finals); afternoon: Men's individual foils (finals).

HOCKEY
6 a.m.—India vs Argentina; 7.15 p.m. Spain vs Austria.

MODERN PENTATHLON
10 a.m. 4,000-metre run.

SHOOTING
9 a.m. until noon—high diving and water polo.

2 p.m. until 5 p.m.—100 metre backstroke (qualifying); Women's 400-metre freestyle (finals); Women's 100-metre backstroke (semi-finals); and water polo.

WRESTLING
10 a.m. until 1.30 p.m.—Greece-Roman climbing rounds.

6 p.m. until 1.30 p.m.—Greece-Roman wrestling eliminating rounds.

ATHLETICS
11 a.m. Javelin (qualifying); 2.30 p.m. Javelin (finals); 3 p.m. Women's 80-metre hurdles (finals); 3.15 p.m. 110-metre hurdles (semi-finals); 3.30 p.m. 400-metre (first round); 4.30 p.m. 1,500-metre run (qualifying); 5 p.m. Women's broad jump (finals); 5 p.m. Women's shot put (finals); 5 p.m. 100-metre hurdles (finals); 5.15 p.m. 400-metre run (second round).

How They Stand

Unofficial standings in the Olympic Games after 35 events completed are:

United States	263
Sweden	81
Turkey	54
France	53
Hungary	49
Australia	38
Netherlands	35
Finland	26
Denmark	25
Switzerland	25
Norway	21
Austria	20
Britain	19
Belgium	15
Czechoslovakia	15
Jamaica	10
Peru	10
Panama	8
Yugoslavia	7
Canada	6
Ceylon	5
Mexico	3
Brazil	2
Argentina	1
Spain	1

—United Press.

only a tenth of a second outside this time in a spectacular win.

Five competitors beat the Olympic time for the 10,000 metres walk during the qualifying heats. The new figure stands to the credit of J. Mikaelson, of Sweden, who won his heat in 45 minutes three seconds over 800 seconds better than the previous best.

The next three men behind him also broke records. They were C. J. Morris, Britain's No. 2 walker, E. Maga, of France, and G. Dorbeni of Italy. In the second heat Harry Churcher of Britain also beat the record, returning 46 minutes 20.4 seconds.

ELECTRIFYING

Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen, streaking through her heat at Wembley Stadium, also set up a new

FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"Are you going to play golf with him—after what his wife said about the way we play bridge?"

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Sometimes a Double Is Dead Giveaway

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY
I RECEIVED an interesting letter from Ward C-110 of the U. S. Naval Hospital at St. Albans, L. I. The boys refer to themselves as "inmates" of the war and sent me today's hand.

They admit that their play would normally give clues to any good player who might kibitz. They have been reading in my column about the inadvisability of indiscriminately doubling slam contracts, and they sent me today's hand.

The four boys who signed the letter are D. C. Sprong (East), B. L. Baddley (South), Frank Tull (North) and J. Lombardo (West). It seems Baddley was criticised for his initial two-bid, and Lombardo for his double, which, however, he still defends.

Sprong (East) elected to open his singleton heart on the theory that the opponents had the trump suit sewed up and the lead could do no harm. The nine was played from dummy and West refused to put on the queen.

The king of spades was the next play, followed by the three of hearts from dummy. When West again played low, declarer finessed the ten of hearts. The jack of clubs was led

♠ A 7 6	♠ 8 5 4 2
♥ A 10 2	♥ 4
♦ 3 5	♦ 10 7 2
♣ 9 4	♣ K 7 3 2

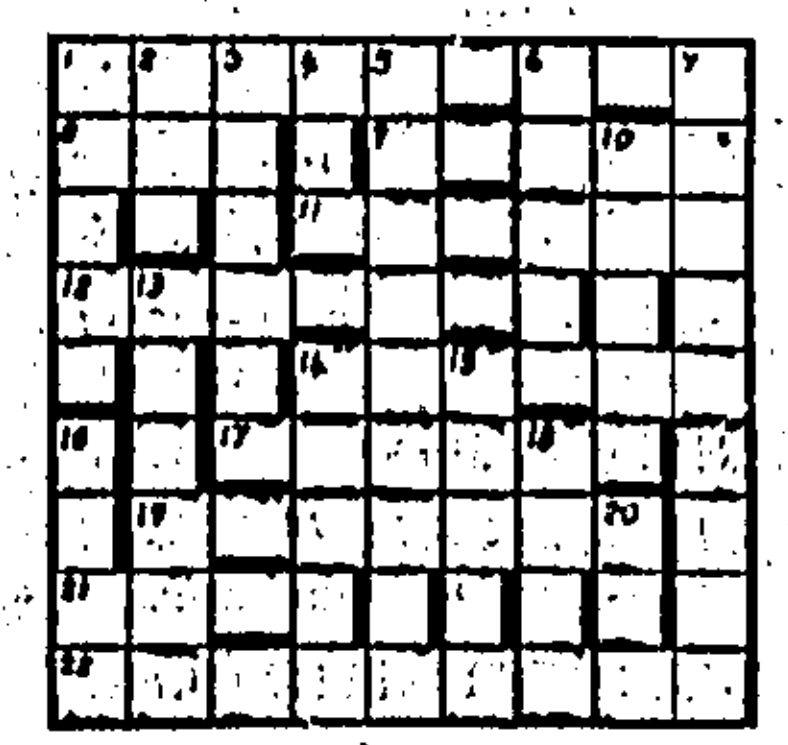
Dealer

and allowed to ride when East refused to cover. Then the five of clubs was played and dummy's ten finessed.

The eight of clubs was led, West again went into a huddle. Finally refusing to trump and discarding the four of diamonds, instead. Declarer trumped with the five of hearts and cashed the ace of spades, discarding the three of diamonds from dummy. The ace of trumps was cashed, a small diamond led to the king, the king of trumps picked up West's queen and the dummy was solid.

They are still arguing about West's double. Declarer might have guessed the "location" of the queen of hearts, but of course the double made it easy.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across
1. Suggests no doubt. (6)
2. And here showing intention. (6)
3. Certainly on the far side. (5)
4. Gave hold of sprang. (6)
5. A trial? Anyway have a try. (6)
6. A spay? change to. (6)
7. The fall was long. (6)

DUMB BELLS

I WILL TAKE A RIDE IN YOUR BOAT IF YOU WILL PROMISE NOT TO GO OUT FURTHER THAN THE HORIZON!



Check Your Knowledge

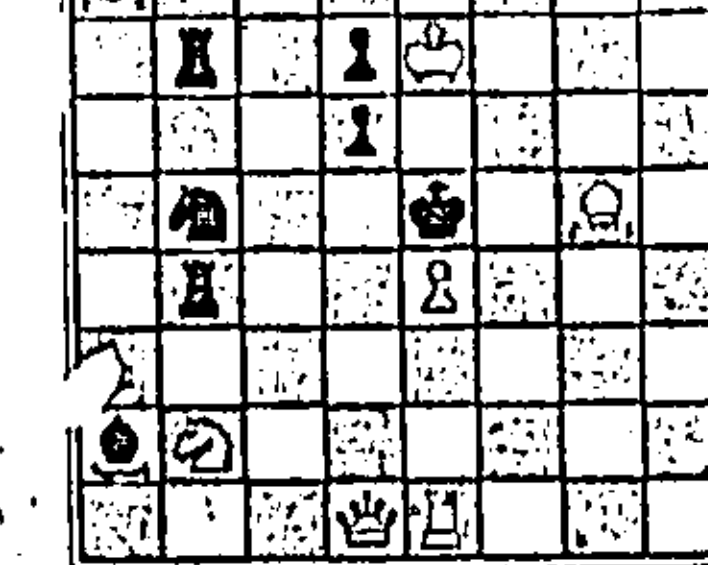
- Who was the "Mad King of Bavaria"?
- What country produces the largest amount of copper?
- Where and what is the Puerto Rico Trench?
- What system of coinage is used by most nations?
- Name the canal which connects the North Sea and the Baltic Sea through Germany.
- What country developed the metric system?

(Answers on Column 5)

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. K. ELWORTHY

Black, 7 pieces.



White, 7 pieces.

White to play and mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Rf-B7, any; 2. Q, R, or K (ch, or dch) mates.

YOUR BIRTHDAY..... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4

BORN today, the ties of family are exceptionally strong and you will make any kind of personal effort to help those you love. Although you may appear aloof to outsiders, in your own family circle, you are warm-hearted, genial and spontaneous in your galaxy.

Rather more shrewd than many when it comes to business affairs, it is likely that you will have accumulated considerable wealth during your lifetime. Your ideals are exceptionally high and often you are disappointed with the results of your efforts, merely because you expect entirely too much.

It is all right to want perfection, but if you dream for the impossible you are very apt to be disappointed. Be satisfied with each single step

upward, rather than expecting to reach the stars on the first try. You are not a spectacular performer, but one who takes time to make each detail perfect before going on to the next step. Your advancement is likely to be slow and steady rather than made by brilliantly intermittent leaps and jumps.

You are fond of good literature, especially poetry, and are likely to have talent in this direction yourself. Although you may appear disinterested in the opposite sex, once aroused your emotions are deep and far-reaching.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—If you see a good thing today, act on it at once. Don't let one slight flaw deter you from making progress.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Postponement in a journey or minor conflict in romance should not mar attempts to make business progress.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—An unexpected friend may assist you in making a new arrangement, favourable to future prospects. Be astute.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—A definite change for the better. Prospects appear brighter. Take full advantage of them while you may.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Follow your intuitions, especially when it comes to romance today but don't neglect business, either.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Things begin to settle down now and you may anticipate greater stability and better future prospects.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—As your health improves, you may now enter a new phase; a new job, perhaps. Seize an offered opportunity.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—A day favourable for romance—even for a wedding. Business prospects appear to be on the upgrade, also.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Important influences are now working in your favour, so be clever enough to take full advantage of them.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—The professions calling for mental achievement are the ones bringing the best success at this time.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Be assertive in making demands upon life right now and you should be able to get exactly what you want.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—A definitely successful day if you go out after what you want most in life and work for it.

MIDWEEK BOOK PARADE

SOME NEW VOLUMES YOU WILL ENJOY

By JAMES BARTLETT

DARK COMPANION, by Bradley Robinson (Hodder and Stoughton, 10s. 6d.). For 10 years Peary tried to get to the North Pole, succeeding at his seventh try. And all the time he had as constant companion a great Negro explorer, Matthew Henson. This is his story. It's true and dramatic.

CHRYSANTHEMUM, by Margaret Drake (The Bodley Head, 9s. 6d.). First novel in the form of a diary which the author herself says is

"a terrible jumble." In the jumble is the love story of young Chrysantha Tuffet, in the provinces, in the 1930s.

SEVENTEENTH SUMMER, by Maureen Daly (Hollis and Carter, 9s. 6d.). Another young girl in love; breathlessly telling the world about it as though love were something new in an American town. Which, of course, it is—at 17.

GYPSEY FOLK-TALES, selected by Dora E. Yates (Phoenix, 12s. 6d.). Caravans and camp fires, with the life that goes on around them—not absurdly romanticized, nor showing the gypsies as just a poacher and vagabond.

LIFE IN LITTLE EDEN, by Constance Goddard (Boardman, 6s.). It's a village in the Dales, patriotic, suspicious of foreigners, meaning by that, anybody more than five miles away from "the prettiest place in England." All sunshine for a wet week-end.

ALL THE KING'S MEN, by Robert Penn Warren (Eyre and Spottiswoode, 12s. 6d.). Here is a tough-guy politician in the Southern States of America, trying to make the crooks who surround him do just what he wants, even if they don't like it. He gets murdered.

PERILOUS ROCK, by Shirley Murrell (Hodder and Stoughton, 10s. 6d.). Henry Winstanley created the first Eddystone lighthouse. He lived for it, died with it. A landsman with fear of the sea and an obsession to make it safe for mariners. As you may see this week-end—without even getting your feet wet.

OUTWARD MAILS

Unless otherwise stated, registered articles and parcels close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. Mail close before 5 p.m. on previous day. Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office at an hour earlier than the G.P.O. Until further notice Parcel Post Service to the Province of Honan, China, is suspended.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4
Closing Times by Air
Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Amoy, Swatow and Tainan, 3.30 p.m.
Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bahrain, Cairo (Nairobi, Johannesburg, and Marseilles via Cairo), Augusta and London, (Kowloon C.P.O.) 4.30 p.m. (G.P.O.) 5 p.m.
Japan (Ordinary letters and cards only) 5 p.m.
Closing Times by Sea & Train
Manila (Sea) 3 p.m.
Batavia, Hongkong, Shanghai (Sea) 3 p.m.
Shanghai (Sea) 3 p.m.
Japan (Ordinary letters and cards only) 3 p.m.
Hankow and Peking via Hothow (Sea) 3 p.m.
Macao and Tientsin (Sea) 4 p.m.
Kongmoon (via Canton) (Train) 5 p.m.
Canton (Parcels & 2nd class mail) (Sea) 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5
Closing Times by Air
Canton, (Kowloon C.P.O.) 7.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 3 p.m.; (G.P.O.) 7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., Noon, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, 8 a.m. (reg); 6.30 a.m. (ord.).
Manila, P.I., 11.30 a.m.
Batavia, Hongkong, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Swatow, Amoy, Tainan and Hothow, 8.30 p.m.
Batavia, Singapore, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, 8 p.m.
Seigon and Paris, 5 p.m.

POCKET CARTOON



BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

A DECISION which may have no far-reaching results was taken in a small room off the Fulham Road.

An unofficial plebiscite had revealed that the retention of the "Saucy Mrs. Flobert" moored near Lost Road power station, is deemed to be essential. The ship, little more than a battered and worm-eaten hulk, serves no useful purpose, beyond the employment of a caretaker aboard, and endless facilities for birds to nest and boys to play. Since the main deck fell in, Admiral Sir Ewart Hodgson has slept ashore, in the power house, without even being in telephone communication with his ship, bits of which keep crumbling into the water. Last time the caretaker, Mrs. Elbow, attempted to hoist a flag in salute to a passing barge, all that fluttered bravely in the breeze was the Admiral's newly washed shirt.

Hogwasch replies

HOGWASCH has been surprised and angered by the latest attacks on filthy films. He says that in his latest film everything objectionable was cut out. To show that vice does not pay, the murderer who blackmails his fiancée's husband is doublecrossed by both his wives. It is made clear that the woman who burns her brother alive is afterwards robbed and knocked senseless by her own daughter, and that her small boy's subsequent attempt to poison his bed-ridden grandfather is foiled by a forger who loves her. "At every turn evil is defeated," says Hogwasch.

In passing

Someone who read my reference to Perpignan the other day asks me—where to stay—in that town. Where to stay? Hal Where but the immortal, incomparable, almost un-bested Lion d'Or? It is fit to stand beside its namesake at Mont-soreau, the Oranger above Cham-pagneulles in the turn, and the sixty-three thousand and seventy-two excellent little hostels scattered over France. When this paper returns to 40 pages, and I am allowed 38 of them, I will print a full list of them all, with notes on the local wines.

He didn't know his luck

COMPLAINING that an unsalted snack sandwich contained processed snack instead of the real thing, a man was congratulated by a railway barmaid. "Processed snack," she said, "has had all the bitumen taken out of it, and doesn't taste of asphalt like the unadulterated snack." "Oh," said the man, and went out of the buffet.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers
1. Ludwig II. 2. The United States of America. 3. The deepest part of the Atlantic Ocean off the island of Puerto Rico. 4. The decimal system. 5. The Kiel Canal. 6. France.



"Alix Insurance Company? I want to put in a claim!"

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

Quiet Trading On NY Stock Market

New York, Aug. 3.—Prices moved irregularly on the stock exchange today in quiet trading. There was nothing new to influence trading and most investors were awaiting the disclosure of the Moscow conference.

HONGKONG SHARES

The total volume of transactions at the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to 173,000. Timin rates were:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
H.K. Bank	1000	10 @ 2000	
Canal	300		
Union	755	775 @ 700	
H.K. Fire	250		
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf (O)	155		
K. Wharf (N)	20 1/2	30 1/2	
N.P. Wharves	10 1/2		
LAND, ETC.			
H.K. Hotel	10 1/2	500 @ 10 1/2	
Shui Land	4 1/2	5	
UTILITIES			
Tram	23	23	
Street	12		
C. Light (O)	22 1/2	22 1/2	1000 @ 22 1/2
C. Light (N)	42 1/2	10 1/2	1000 @ 22 1/2
Telephone	41	44	200 @ 42 1/2
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy (O)	50		
Dairy (N)	46 1/2		
Watson (N)	60 1/2	62 1/2	300 @ 61
Watson (Rights)	50	200 @ 60 1/2	
COTTONS			
Ewo	16	500 @ 15 1/2	

Dull Rubber Market

New York, August 3.—Today the Spot and Futures market were dull and lower by 35 to 40 points, on sales totalling 22 contracts.

Declines in the London market obscured the steadiness at Singapore. It was surmised that a let-up in stockpile buying coincided with a reduced factory demand.

Traders are of the opinion that a reduction in the number of deliverable grades will be necessary in order to attract a wider participation in the futures market.

The set-back is regarded as temporary as the long term trend is still governed by misgivings over the social unrest in the producing areas.

Prices closed as follows—	August (in cents per lb.)	22.00 nominal
September	22.00 bid	
October	22.00 nominal	
November	22.00	
December	22.00	
January (1949)	22.00	
February	22.00	
March	22.00	
April	22.00	
May	22.00	
June	22.00	
July	22.00	
August	22.00	
September	22.00	
October	22.00	
Spot	22.00	

—United Press.

Cotton Markets

New York, August 3 (UP) Cotton futures were today narrowly irregular and less active. Sentiment was more divided with neither side willing to take a definite position until the publication of the government crop report on August 9.

The market swung within an extremely narrow range of 10 cents in response to small orders either way.

Prices closed as follows—	Spot	31.00 nominal
August	31.00 nominal	
September	31.00	
October	31.00	
November	31.00	
December	31.00	
January (1949)	31.00	
February	31.00	
March	31.00	
April	31.00	
May	31.00	
June	31.00	
July	31.00	
August	31.00	
September	31.00	
October	31.00	

—United Press.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

New Orleans, August 3.—Prices in the Cotton Market here today closed as follows:

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China Bristles

Bristles, F.O.B. New York per lb., as follows:

Wankow Regular assortment

